CHAPTER 212

TAX CREDITS

H. F. 182

AN ACT relating to the period in which claims for the military service tax exemption and the homestead tax credit may be audited.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Section four hundred twenty-five point seven (425.7), subsection three (3), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

2 3 3. Should the director of revenue determine, upon investigation, 4 that any claim for homestead credit has been allowed by any board of 5 supervisors which is not justifiable under the law and not substantiated by proper facts, the director may, at any time within one year after the receipt by the department of revenue of the certification of such 6 7 eredit by any county treasurer twenty-four months from July first of 8 9 the year in which the claim is filed, set aside such allowance. Notice 10 of such disallowance shall be given to the county auditor of the county 11 in which such claim has been improperly granted and a written notice 12 of such disallowance shall also be addressed to the claimant at his last known address. Such claimant, or the board of supervisors, may seek judicial review of the action of the director of revenue in accordance 13 14 with the terms of the Iowa administrative procedure Act. In any case 15 16 where a claim is so disallowed by the director of revenue and no peti-17 tion for judicial review is filed with respect to such disallowance, any 18 amounts of credits allowed and paid from the homestead credit fund shall become a lien upon the property on which said credit was origi-19 20 nally granted, if still in the hands of the claimant, and not in the 21 hands of a bona fide purchaser, and any amount so erroneously paid 22 shall be collected by the county treasurer in the same manner as other 23 taxes and such collections shall be returned to the department of reve-24nue and credited to the homestead credit fund. The director of revenue 25 shall also have the authority to institute legal proceedings against a 26 homestead credit claimant for the collection of all payments made on 27 such disallowed credits.

SEC. 2. Section four hundred twenty-six A point six (426A.6), Code 1975, is amended to read as follows:

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426A.6 Setting aside allowance. Should the director of revenue determine, upon investigation, that any claim for military service tax exemption has been allowed by any board of supervisors which is not justifiable under the law and not substantiated by proper facts, the director may, at any time within one year after the receipt by the department of revenue of the certification of such exemption by any county treasurer twenty-four months from July first of the year in which the claim is filed, set aside such allowance. Notice of such disallowance shall be given to the county auditor of the county in which such claim has been improperly granted and a written notice of such disallowance shall also be addressed to the claimant at his last known address. Such claimant, or the board of supervisors, may seek judicial review of the action of the director of revenue in accordance with the terms of the Iowa administrative procedure Act. In any case, where a claim is so disallowed by the director of revenue and no petition for judicial review is filed with respect to such disallowance, any amounts of credits allowed and paid from the military service tax credit fund shall become a lien upon the property on which said credit was originally granted, if still in the hands of the claimant, and not in the hands of a $\frac{2}{3}$

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Approved April 16, 1975

CHAPTER 213

REIMBURSEMENT FOR PROPERTY TAXES

S. F. 571

AN ACT relating to the reimbursement for property taxes paid and rent constituting property taxes paid by claimants.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Section four hundred twenty-five point seventeen (425.17), subsections one (1), four (4), five (5), six (6), eight (8), and ten (10), Code 1975, are amended to read as follows:

1. "Income" means the sum of Iowa net income as defined in section 422.7, plus all of the following to the extent not already included in Iowa net income: Capital gains, alimony, child support money, cash public assistance and relief, except property tax relief granted under this division, the gross amount of any pension or annuity, including but not limited to railroad retirement benefits, all payments received under the federal social security Act, and all military retirement and veterans' disability pensions, interest received from the state or federal government or any of its instrumentalities, workmen's compensation, and the gross amount of disability income or "loss of time" insurance, and that part of net worth considered as income under subsection 2. "Income" does not include gifts from nongovernmental sources, or surplus foods or other relief in kind supplied by a governmental agency.

4. "Household income" means all income of all persons of the claimant and the claimant's spouse in a household and actual monetary contributions received from any other household member during their respective twelve-month income tax accounting periods and income the base year.

ending with or during the base year.

5. "Homestead" means the dwelling owned or rented and actually used as a home by the claimant during all or part of the base year, whether owned or rented, and so much of the land surrounding it, not exceeding one acre, as is reasonably necessary for use of the dwelling as a home, and may consist of a part of a multidwelling or multipurpose building and a part of the land upon which it is built. It does not include personal property except that a mobile home may be a homestead. Any dwelling or a part of a multidwelling or multipurpose building which is exempt from taxation shall not qualify as a homestead under the provisions of this division. A homestead must be located in this state.

6. "Claimant" means a person filing a claim for reimbursement under this division who has attained the age of sixty-five years on or before December 31 of the base year, or who is a surviving spouse